

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

FARWICK, *et al.*

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For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES WHICH CODE FOR THE  
DEAD GENE

Art Unit: 1656

Examiner: Steadman, David J.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office action mailed 11 December 2006, to which the time for response is set to expire 12 March 2007 (the 11th was a Sunday). Claims 5, 9, 12, 34, 35, 37, 38, 40, 42, 46, 48, 53 and 54 were allowed, claim 44 was objected to and claims 43, 51, 52, 55 and 56 were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.  
Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.